

MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA COMMON COUNCIL DECEMBER 20, 2016 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: The Common Council of the City of Rushville met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: The Pledge to the Flag was recited by those present.

PRAYER: Councilman Berkemeier led those present in prayer.

ROLL CALL: Bob Bridges, Brian Conner, Craig Smith, Brad Berkemeier, and Gary Cameron answered roll call. Student Advisor, Antonia Walker, was not present. Also present was City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse.

MINUTES: Conner moved to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2016 meeting as presented. Berkemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: None.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT: Clerk-Treasurer Copley asked for volunteers to approve the final claim docket on the 28th. Berkemeier, Conner, and Bridges volunteered.

She reminded Department Heads to have final bills in by the 22nd and encumbrances in by the 27th.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Council President Bridges wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Stellar Designation –**
- **Amphitheater/Park Board –** Cameron said they are finalizing acts for 2017. They will have a roll out party in January.
- **Marketing –**
- **APC/BZA –**

- **City Center** –
- **Cherry Street** – RFPs were sent out for phase II today.
- **Brownfield Grant** –
- **ECDC** –

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Street – Commissioner Miller said the postmaster has asked if the 30 minute parking on the east side of Harrison Street could be reinstated. They also requested no parking on the other side of the street, and no overnight parking in the front of the post office. Council agreed that they may post the no parking overnight, but they will have to purchase the signs. The remaining request was turned over to the traffic committee.

Animal – Warden Moran said they had their final inspection for the year and had a good report. She informed Council that Dr. Orme passed away.

Fire – Assistant Chief Munson handed out reports for November.

Police – Chief Tucker said the Board of Works approved the resignation of a part time dispatcher. They are currently taking applications for the patrolman position.

CITIZEN CONCERNS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Highway 52 Property** – We will meet in January for further discussion.
2. **Trash Options** – Cameron suggested putting in an option for refrigerators and TVs since some residents don't have the means to transport these items themselves. Smith agreed to discuss this with Clean Green. The resident would pay a fee if we pick up the item. Smith will add the revision and send to Council for review.
3. **Ordinance 2016-25 Amending Ordinance 2015-2 Permit and Inspection Fees** – The paperwork will be completed for signatures.
4. **Gator Permitting RMH** – Tabled.
5. **Single Family TIF (Mike Higbee)** – Nothing to report.
6. **Community Crossings Contract** – The 4 paving contracts were approved by the Board of Works. 3 were awarded to O'Mara. The bids came in lower than expected leaving a balance of approximately \$250,000.00 for other projects.

7. **End of Year Board Appointments for 2017** – Pavey passed out a list of appointments needed to be made in January.
8. **Gas Bids** - Brian Sheehan recommended the fixed pricing due to budget restrictions. Smith moved to accept the fixed pricing with Harvestland. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Utility Board Liaison** – Pavey said there may be a desire for a utility liaison. He will discuss this with the utility board.
2. **Amended Utility Bond Ordinance 2016-28** – Berkemeier moved to approve Ordinance 2016-28. Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **PILOT Non-Reverting Ordinance 2016-29** – Smith moved to approve Ordinance 2016-29. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.
4. **Property Options** – We will be considering options on this property north of the tracks.
5. **Stellar Update (HWC)** – Cory Daly and Rex Dillinger gave a stellar presentation on the work ahead. They commended our team and said it is a pleasure to work with our community.

CLAIMS/MONTHLY BANK RECONCILIATION: Bridges moved to approve the claims as presented. Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE: None.

ADJOURN: There was no further business to come before Council; Smith moved to adjourn. Berkemeier seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.